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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed April 4, 2002 be extended for a period of one (1) month from June 4, 2002 to and including July 4, 2002.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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